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Preface

This booklet is a guide to the adult correctional centres in British Columbia operated by the Corrections Branch, Ministry of Attorney General. Descriptions for each specific facility are provided and specific classification criteria are enunciated where applicable. Facility descriptions are listed according to the Corrections Branch regional organizations.

This guide will be of particular interest to B.C. criminal court judges, Crown and defense counsel, and Corrections Branch probation officers, as well as criminologists, other justice personnel, and all those with a professional interest in the process of admission, classification, and accommodation of inmates in B.C.

Since policies and practices change regularly in response to needs of the correctional process, this booklet will be revised periodically to keep readers up to date on the most recent changes.

General inquiries relating to this booklet or to correctional centre facilities should be directed to the Program Analysis and Evaluation Section, Corrections Branch, Commissioner's Office, Fourth Floor, 910 Government Street, Victoria, B.C., V8V 1X4 (telephone 387-5059).

Specific inquiries relating to a particular facility described should be addressed to the director of that facility.

Introduction

The Corrections Branch, Ministry of Attorney General, provides a range of facilities around the province for adult men and women who are remanded into custody or sentenced to serve a term of up to two years less a day in jail. Where the individual receives a jail sentence of two years or more, that individual will likely remain in custody in a regional correctional centre for 30 days prior to being transferred to a penitentiary.

There are 26 correctional centres operated and staffed by the Corrections Branch. Four of these are located on Vancouver Island, five in the Vancouver Region, 10 in the Fraser Region, four in the Interior Region, and three in the Northern Region.

All correctional centres are categorized into one of three types: secure, open, or community. In secure facilities, a major emphasis is on control, separation, and protection. Open facilities, which house the largest proportion of sentenced inmates, give a major emphasis to organized work projects or specialized training programs. In community facilities, a major emphasis is given to community employment opportunities, as well as community training and education.

There are two correctional centres for women, one open and one secure. Both are located in the Lower Mainland.

All remand prisoners (those who are not serving jail sentences) are housed in secure custody. Prisoners who have received sentences of up to two years less a day are admitted at various correctional centres around the province, with a priority on being admitted and placed as quickly as possible through the classification process to the appropriate correctional centre.

On Vancouver Island, sentenced prisoners are admitted at Nanaimo Correctional Centre or Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre; in Vancouver, they are admitted at Vancouver Pretrial Services Centre or the Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre; in the Fraser Region, they are admitted at Maple Ridge Sentence Management Unit; in the Interior Region, they are admitted at Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre; in the Northern Region, they are admitted at Prince George Regional Correctional Centre or at Terrace Community Correctional Centre.

Sentence Management Process

Every effort is made to manage the sentence of an inmate as fairly and productively as possible. This begins with the admissions process, which includes the calculation of sentence. The records officer informs the inmate of how much remission he can earn and when he will be released if he earns maximum remission, and of his parole eligibility date.

During the classification process that follows, the classification officer interviews the inmate and, supported by whatever additional information is available, prepares a sentence management plan with him. This plan takes into consideration court history, family concerns, educational and work record, and any areas of individual need. In addition to placing the inmate into the most appropriate facility available at the time, the plan details training or work opportunities that might be most suitable, special areas where counselling should be provided, support that may be required for release planning, and key dates when actions or reviews are to be initiated.

The sentence plan, developed early in the sentence, is used by the correctional officers to work with the inmate. The inmate is encouraged to exercise initiative to ensure that the opportunities available to him are used to his advantage. This initiative could include requesting transfer, applying for temporary absence passes, or applying for parole. The plan can be reviewed at any time, with amendments made by the classification officer as circumstances change.

Whenever possible (and giving full consideration to the safety of the public), the inmate is encouraged to use community resources. The purpose could be to maintain or seek employment, to continue with educational/training programs begun before incarceration, or to begin programs in which the inmate has been able to secure enrolment since incarceration, to seek specialized counselling or treatment, or to visit family. Upon receipt of an inmate's application, the temporary absence officer gathers whatever information is required for a decision on the application.

After having served one third of his sentence, the inmate is eligible for parole consideration. Upon receipt of the inmate's application, the parole coordinator gathers the required documents and reports, which are then formally presented to the B.C. Board of Parole at a hearing held at the correctional centre. To the extent possible, the inmate is encouraged to apply before his parole eligibility date in order that the formal hearing can occur as close as possible to that date.

Exchange of Service Agreement

The Province of British Columbia currently has an agreement with the Canadian government which allows the transfer of inmates serving a penitentiary sentence to provincial correctional centres. Application for transfer is made by the penitentiary inmate either at the beginning of the inmate's sentence while he is still in a provincial correctional centre or once he is in a penitentiary. The agreement also allows the transfer of provincial prisoners to penitentiary. The majority of such transfers are from federal to provincial institutions, particularly for women. The only federal penitentiary for women in Canada is in Kingston, Ontario. The placement of women offenders from British Columbia at such a distance from their communities, families, and friends creates problems, particularly regarding pre-release plans.

The Canadian government has entered into a treaty with the United States government which also allows the transfer of prisoners between the two countries. Appropriate legislation has been passed by governments of both countries to assist the implementation of this treaty. The United States citizen who is sentenced to more than six months in prison in Canada can apply for transfer to serve the sentence in a prison in the United States.

Negotiations currently are underway with neighboring provinces to establish inter-provincial transfer agreements. When these are in place, it will be possible to consider transferring an inmate who is serving a provincial jail sentence in B.C. to the province of his residence.

Secure Custodial Facilities:
Classification Criteria

Imprisonment is the main function of secure custodial facilities and security is a prime concern. The policy of the Corrections Branch is to affect this in as humane a manner as possible.

Secure custodial facilities house prisoners who have been remanded in custody pending trail or sentence, as well as offenders who have been determined to require secure placement. Where facilities allow, these two groups are housed separately.

Fifty-two per cent of all correctional centre beds are in secure custody. Approximately 35-40 per cent of these are used by prisoners who have been remanded in custody.

Male offenders are accommodated throughout the province in five correctional centres: Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre, Victoria; Vancouver Pretrial Services Centre; Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre, Burnaby; Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre; and Prince George Regional Correctional Centre.

Within secure custodial facilities, programs and activities are provided in work, recreation, education, life skills, and personal development to enable offenders to make the most positive use of their period of incarceration. Offenders placed in or transferred to secure custodial facilities are held until their sentence expires, until they are released on parole, or until they qualify for reclassification to open facilities or community correctional centres.

The criteria which determine placement in a secure custodial facility are:

1) the offender is considered dangerous to the community as a result of a number of convictions for violent behavior, police information directly linking the offender to violent and destructive behavior, professional opinions that the offender is violent and unpredictable, or violent, aggressive behavior that poses a threat to other inmates or institutional staff;
2) the offender is highly likely to escape, especially if escapes have been attempted, offences have been committed while on escape, or the offender's attitude and behavior have not shown any improvement since recapture;
3) the offender is a serious management problem, disrupting other inmates, violating rules and regulations, not meeting the standards of the compulsory work program, or displaying personal characteristics that require close supervision;
4) insufficient information is available to determine the level of security required due to the offender's evasiveness during the classification interview, contradictions in information available, or the need to check further on the offender's background;
5) a medical or psychological assessment is required, especially if the court has recommended forensic treatment or the offender has an unstable background or social or intellectual deficiences that may cause problems in placement, health problems requiring hospital care, or the offender was under psychiatric or psychological treatment before being sentenced; and/or
6) the offender has pending legal concerns, such as having further criminal charges, having an immigration hearing pending, being remanded in custody, being under investigation, having been ordered deported but may attempt to escape from an open setting, needing to be readily available for legal counsel, or the Crown is appealing the sentence.

Facility: **Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre (VIRCC)**
4216 Wilkinson Road,
Victoria, B.C.
V8Z 5B2
Telephone: 479-1621

Region: **Vancouver Island**

Category: **Secure** (men)

Capacity: 1985 **Resourced** 150 **Emergency** 163
Other Beds 7 Segregation 4 Hospital
1986 **Resourced** 150 **Emergency** 208
Other Beds 4 Segregation 4 Hospital

Description

VIRCC is the main secure sentenced and remand facility servicing Vancouver Island. The centre is currently under reconstruction and a new facility is being added to the old building. Under construction are new living quarters, gymnasium, carpentry shop, temporary visiting area, and exercise yard, all targetted for January, 1985, completion. The phase to follow includes complete gutting and renovation of the present living facilities to increase the bedspace and program area available, and to upgrade the technology and administration areas. The total project should be completed by September, 1986. In the interim, program and scheduling is being adjusted to create as little disruption as possible.

WORK includes correctional centre maintenance, inmate food service activities, and off-ground cooperative work projects with other government agencies. From January, 1985, a greater variety of projects will be undertaken by the carpentry shop with its expanded area, upgraded equipment, and more security. In September, 1986, the centre will have available an industrial work shop. The pay scale is $1-3 per day.

EDUCATIONAL upgrading is available through General Educational Development and correspondence courses. It is intended to offer individual assessment and assistance in the new facility to those inmates wishing to take this opportunity.

It is also intended to make a life skills program available in the new centre to both sentenced and remanded inmates. Components on topics ranging from alcohol and drug awareness, first aid, money management, debt reconciliation, and use of community resources will be provided.

RECREATION takes place daily in the mini-gym and in the yard. With the move to the new facilities in January, 1985, an increased level of programmed activity such as organized sports, weight training, and recreational orientation will be taking place. Library services are available, provision is made for daily newspapers and personal magazine subscriptions, and a variety of leisure time appreciation and pursuits will be encouraged.

VISITS are scheduled daily by prior arrangement and family visits may be arranged, subject to approval.

MEDICAL doctor visits weekly, dentist once weekly; psychiatric services are available through the Victoria Forensic Clinic.

RELIGIOUS services are available weekly through two part-time chaplains; Bible study sessions are also held; weekly church services are encouraged.

COMMUNITY support includes native liaison worker, John Howard Society, Salvation Army, Alcohol and Drug Commission and Alcoholics Anonymous.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is provided through temporary absence for transfer to Victoria Community Correctional Centre (VCCC) and a full slate of work and community programs there. While at VCCC, inmates may search for jobs, continue employment, pursue further educational interests, and participate in community service activities. The B.C. Board of Parole regularly meets at Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre for those inmates who apply.

LIVING UNIT CONCEPT — With the opening of the new facilities, it is intended that a documented process of case planning and implementation will increase the expectations for inmates to make good use of their time while at the centre. Adequate inmate participation in these plans will be tied to (where appropriate) inmate pay, remission awards, and community re-entry activities.

Facility: **Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre (Oakalla)**
Drawer "O"
Burnaby, B.C.
V5H 3N4
Telephone: 434-4231

Region: **Vancouver**

Category: **Secure**

Capacity: **Emergency** 667
Resourced 399
Other Beds 36 Hospital
12 Observation 36 Segregation

Description

The centre comprises three major buildings: the largest includes the East, West and South Wings, administration offices, records and admitting, and the centre's kitchen and laundry facilities; a second building, Westgate, is subdivided into Westgate A and Westgate B; and the third building is the Health Care Centre.

Main Building

The East Wing accommodates both remanded and sentenced prionsers, separating prisoners in each category on different tiers. The laundry and kitchen facilities are adjacent to the East Wing. The South Wing is primarily used for remanded prisoners. It also accommodates those who have been convicted and sentenced to federal terms and are being held during their 30-day appeal periods. The observation unit on the top floor of the South Wing contains 12 cells commonly used for prisoners who, in the opinion of clinical psychologists, need constant supervision, for those who require protective custody, or those who pose exceptionally severe management problems. The West Wing currently is unoccupied, but is used to accommodate persons with intermittent sentences when the inmate population exceeds the capacity of Westgate.

Westgate

Westage A is the segregation unit for the centre, which is used for inmates serving up to 15 days segregation as a disciplinary award from all Vancouver and Fraser Region facilities, for some unsentenced protective custody cases who need to be segregated from the general population, and as a temporary holding facility for cases awaiting a decision regarding need for protective custody. Westgate B is the program unit of the centre. It provides expanded work opportunities for selected sentenced prisoners and, on separate tiers, sentenced protective custody inmates. Persons serving intermittent sentences are normally housed in Westgate B, except when the total population of prisoners serving full-time sentences precludes this.

Health Care Centre

The Health Care Centre is the only in-patient facility serving the Vancouver and Fraser regions and acts as a back-up to the other regional correctional centres. In addition, the Health Care Centre accommodates prisoners who perform menial cleaning tasks, as well as those who require special protective custody, such as extremely young, mentally retarded, or emotionally unstable prisoners.

WORK programs in the centre are many and varied. In the East Wing, work opportunities include kitchen duties (minimum security inmates only), laundry, tier cleaners, and one outside work gang with armed correctional officers. The South Wing, including the observation unit, has tier cleaning jobs only. Westgate offers work opportunities as tier cleaners, and in sheet metal shop, sock shop, tailor shop, grounds maintenance for the entire centre, boat shop, general shop work in the centres garage, stores, carpentry shop, and off-sight work gangs with suitable supervision. Inmate wages are paid in accordance with branch policy and vary from $1-3 per day for normal duties, $4-6 per day for kitchen workers and, depending on the nature of shop projects, hourly wages. Generally, every sentenced inmate is afforded an opportunity for positive and constructive work.

EDUCATIONAL assistance is offered by a resident teacher at Westgate B for motivated inmates, and some educational assessments are conducted for inmates in the main building.

RECREATIONAL resources at the main building include outside yard, inside recreational areas, and weightlifting rooms. Westgate contains both indoor and outdoor facilities and, from time to time, specialized clubs offering instruction and practice. Minimal indoor and outdoor facilities also are available at the Health Care Centre, especially for hospital workers. While a gymnasium is available, it is not used extensively, due to the lack of recreational instructors and limited staffing resources.

VISITS are provided to inmates in the main building and Health Care Centre via telephone through a glass barrier for two hours per week (one two-hour or two one-hour visits). Westgate B inmates are permitted three two-hour open visits per month on Sundays. In

addition, all inmates may earn a monthly open family visit. Outgoing telephone calls generally may be made during the day, upon request.

Visits by legal counsel, probation officnecessary and take place on a confidential, across-the-table basis.

MEDICAL, psychiatric, and psychological services are available as arranged by staff of the Health Care Centre. In addition, appointments with specialists are provided on site or under escort. On occasion, hospitalization in local hospitals can be arranged under escort.

RELIGIOUS serves and individual counselling are provided throughout the centre by the Protestant and Catholic chaplains. Visits from other chaplains can be arranged.

COMMUNITY visits by agencies such as Alcoholics Anonymous, M2, and native Indian groups are made weekly. John Howard Society visits upon request. Meeting and visits at the Health Care Centre are also held by Teen Challenge. Individual assistance is available from the Salvation Army, John Howard Society, Legal Aid, and Canada Manpower.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is provided through applications for temporary absence for parole, which are channeled through a temporary absence and parole coordinator. Inmates in this centre seeking any form of early release are encouraged to work their way towards kitchen placement in an open facility where they can better prove themselves ready for such release. Exceptions to this include inmates who are held at Oakalla for health or protective custody reasons, or to work in the kitchen.

Facility: **Lakeside Correctional Centre**
Drawer "O"
Burnaby, B.C.
V5H 3N4
Telephone: 434-4231

Region: **Vancouver**

Category: **Secure** (women)

Capacity: **Resourced** 65 **Emergency** 65
Other Beds 10 Segregation

Description

Lakeside Correctional Centre is the secure correctional centre for women in the province. Its primary goal is to hold in safe and secure custody those women who have been remanded or sentenced to terms of incarceration by the courts. Lakeside also accommodates a small number of women who are serving federal sentences.

Given the limitations of a secure setting, Lakeside provides a full range of programs and services to inmates.

WORK programs are provided in the kitchen, tailor shop, laundry, and general facility maintenance.

EDUCATIONAL programs are provided by the Lakeside Learning Centre of Douglas College. Two instructors assess inmates' academic needs and provide a wide variety of programs, ranging from basic literacy to college-level course work. Upgrading to high school graduation is a common goal of inmates. The learning centre also links inmates with a large network of community educational resources.

RECREATIONAL services are coordinated by a recreation consultant. The programs offered are both physical (volleyball, aerobics) and social (bingo, videos, and dances). Craft work of all types is encouraged by line staff.

VISITS are scheduled seven days per week by appointment. Inmates are allowed a minimum of two visits per week with family and friends. Upon meeting certain criteria, open visits may be approved. Children and family visits occur on weekends. Private visits with professionals may be held during business hours. Inmates also have free access to make local telephone calls from the units, and arrangements can be made for long-distance calls.

MEDICAL services are fully available to inmates, with a nurse on staff 15 hours per day. A sessional psychologist provides three sessions per week.

RELIGIOUS services are provided weekly by Catholic and Protestant clergy. The chaplains are also available for individual counselling.

COMMUNITY groups such as Alcoholics Anonymous, M2, W2, and Baptist Outreach provide helping services. Many of the social and activity programs are led by community volunteers from Elizabeth Fry and Act II societies. Lakeside also has the services of a community access worker and native liaison worker. The Lakeside Citizens' Advisory Board provides the community with an opportunity to review and comment on all aspects of institutional operation.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is coordinated by the temporary absence coordinator with the assistance of the community access worker. Referrals to the Elizabeth Fry Society's Balaclava House are often utilized by women lacking resources.

Facility: **Vancouver Pretrial Services Centre**
275 East Cordova Street
Vancouver, B.C.
V6A 3W3
Telephone: 683-0381

Region: **Vancouver**

Category: **Secure** (men), unsentenced or sentenced and awaiting trial

Capacity: **Resourced** 150 **Emergency** 150
Other Beds 7 Hospital 11 Segregation

Description

The centre is designated for remanded prisoners from the Vancouver provincial courts, but also serves as a classification location for newly-sentenced, court-arrested males for the adjacent provincial court, other Vancouver regional courts, and for those arriving by air at the Vancouver International Airport. The central location of the facility eases family- and lawyer-visiting for many, and reduces the need for transportation to the province's busiest court complex. The building includes medical segregation units, as well as a legal and general library.

WORK programs are minimal. The centre was designed to function without the necessity for prisoner labor and, as a result, can provide only living-unit cleaner work-assignments for approximtely 20 prisoners.

EDUCATIONAL programs are not available, as prisoner turnover is ver rapid.

RECREATION staff are available each day. Recreational facilities include a gymnasium and exercise yard, program and activity rooms, in addition to in-unit activities.

VISITING hours generally are from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. (except at meal times), for which appointments are prearranged by telephone, and are normally held in an open visiting lounge (though the centre reserves the right to arrange visits in a secure visiting area, when necessary). Lawyers' visits can be arranged outside these hours, in exceptional situations.

MEDICAL, psychological, and dental services are available. The Health Care Unit provides 24 hour-per-day nursing services and seven beds for in-patient care.

RELIGIOUS services are available through a chaplain and volunteer groups.

COMMUNITY and private agencies providing services include John Howard Society, Salvation Army, M2 W2, and UBC law students legal-advice programs.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY programs are not available, as all sentenced prisoners at the centre are either active before the courts or are awaiting transfer to other centres.

Facility: **Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 820
Kamloops, B.C.
V2C 5M9
Telephone: 374-1294

Region: **Interior**

Category: **Secure** (men)

Capacity: **Resource** 108 **Emergency** 108
Other Beds 6 Segregation 6 Observation

Description

This regional correctional centre, unlike the others in the province, consists of a number of small buildings in a fenced compound. This institution is due to be replaced as soon as funds become available.

The remand unit contains 26 cells which are utilized for custodial remands, sentenced inmates awaiting trial, escape risks, and federal inmates.

The observation/segregation unit contains 12 cells which are used for a variety of purposes, including temporary lock-up, observation, and segregation. Six cells in this unit have been designated for remand overflow, if the need arises.

Sentenced and remand inmates may be transferred to Prince George Regional Correctional Centre (PGRCC) to alleviate overcrowding or house inmates who require a high level of security or long-term protective custody. If PGRCC cannot accommodate a transfer, Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre is used as a last resort.

Sentenced inmates are housed in a four-tiered dormitory unit, with a capacity of 75.

WORK for sentenced inmates at the centre includes maintenance, grounds, kitchen, and supervised gang work for the forestry, and voluntary community projects.

EDUCATIONAL upgrading is provided through correspondence courses.

RECREATIONAL activities take place in the gymnasium or on the ball field.

VISITS are allowed on Sundays or other days by special arrangement. Open family visits may be approved for remand inmates on the last Saturday of each month.

MEDICAL services are provided three times weekly by a doctor; monthly forensic services, and all dental and emergency medical on call.

RELIGIOUS programs involve a wide variety of services, including many in-prison functions, such as church services, weekly "padre's hour," seminars, and an extensive church volunteer program. These are also available to the camps and community correctional centre.

COMMUNITY groups providing support include pretrial services, John Howard Society, Alcohol and Drug Counselling Service, native liaison worker, and M2. Weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings also are held.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is provided through application for absences and paroles, temporary absences for employment to Kokanee Creek Camp (Kootenays), and the community correctional centre for employment, education, and reparative temporary absences, as well as special needs such as alcohol counselling, and placement at various community-based residential centres.

Facility: **Prince George Regional Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 4300
Prince George, B.C.
V2L 5J9
Telephone: 562-6421

Region: **Northern**

Category: **Secure** (men)

Capacity: **Resources** 160 **Emergency** 165
Other Beds 4 Hospital 2 Observation
6 Special Holding Area

Description

Prince George Regional Correctional Centre is the admission facility for the Northern Region, but also serves as a back-up security facility for the Interior Region.

WORK activities (8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m) have both maintenance and training functions. These involve a tailor shop (eight inmates), laundry (eight inmates), carpentry shop (six inmates), farm operation and maintenance (up to eight inmates in winter months and twenty in good-weather months), and kitchen (10 inmates).

EDUCATIONAL upgrading in grades one through 12 is offered (capacity: 13 inmates). This program is usually of nine months duration. Inmates are tutored by teachers from the College of New Caledonia.

RECREATIONAL facilitieis include a gymnamsium and basement activity room. Hours are flexible daily for remand inmates, while sentenced inmates are scheduled daily from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Individual activities include crafts, and a weightlifting machine is available. Group activities include badminton, volleyball, basketball, floor hockey, and softball.

VISITS are limited to two persons at one time, excluding children, from an approved list. Phone calls are permitted for emergencies to lawyers and families. Long-distance calls must be made collect.

MEDICAL visits are held three times a week by a doctor. Psychological services also are provided.

RELIGIOUS services, Protestant and Catholic, are held weekly.

COMMUNITY groups providing support include the John Howard Society, native liaison worker, Salvation Army, Canada Manpower, Ministry of Human Resources, and alcohol counselling at the Nechako Centre. Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held weekly.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY programs involve placement of approved persons at the Activators House in Prince George (up to 14 men), the Terrace Community Correctional Centre, or at the W.M. Pastures, a tract of grazing land where men work for the John Howard Society maintaining fences, cutting firewood, and similar duties (12 men).

Open Facilities:
Classification Criteria

Open facilities, the primary resource for placement of sentenced offenders, are minimum security centres, semi-isolated forest camps, or farms. They provide controlled and supervised accommodation with appropriate work and training programs. Although these vary with the setting, they are all designed to carry out court-imposed sentences through useful work. This includes forest management and maintenance, sawmill operations, wilderness survival, crop raising, animal husbandry, and salmonid enhancement. During forest fire season, firefighting crews are available on standby. Support by search and rescue efforts is also provided at times of emergency. Many of the programs are operated in conjunction with federal and provincial agencies, such as Environment Canada and the B.C. Ministry of Forests.

Open facilities are classified according to two categories: specialized and general. They accommodate 46 per cent of all sentenced offenders.

There are three specialized facilities operated by Corrections Branch: Alouette River Correctional Centre, which provides a number of programs for those who abuse alcohol; New Haven Correctional Centre, which provides a program for young offenders to encourage increased personal and social responsibility; and Boulder Bay Correctional Centre, which also provides a program for young offenders based on the concepts of Outward Bound. Specific classification criteria for those facilities are included in the descriptive statements found on the following pages.

There are eight general facilities for men. These are Nanaimo Correctional Centre, Stave Lake Correctional Centre, Pine Ridge Correctional Centre, Mount Thurston Correctional Centre, Ford Mountain Correctional Centre, Rayleigh Correctional Centre, Bear Creek Correctional Centre, and Hutda Lake Correctional Centre. Although there are unique features with each camp, their general descriptions are similar, especially regarding work and leisure activities. Most sentenced offenders are suitable for immediate placement into one of these camps, with an attempt being made to place the offender in the camp closest to his home area.

Four of the camps listed above are located in the Fraser Valley. Because of this concentration of general camps, some specific classification criteria have been developed for them. Through these criteria, the camp population in the Fraser Valley is divided according to the number of previous jail sentences already served and the general attitudes demonstrated towards correctional programs.

There is one open facility for women: Twin Maples Corretional Centre. Women offenders who do not require secure custody are placed there.

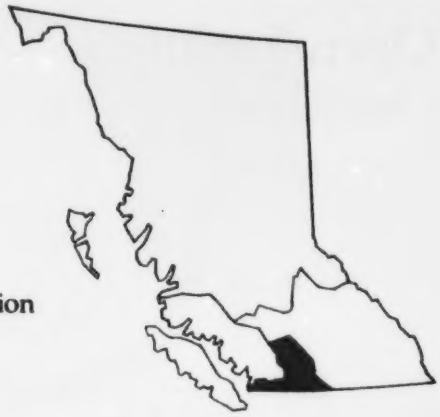
Currently, a number of camps, are being developed jointly with other ministries. These camps will not be gazetted correctional centres and, therefore, offenders will need to be given temporary absence passes in order to be transferred to them. Work projects will include juvenile tree spacing, and park development and maintenance. The Interior Region is participating in a camp in Kokanee Park, north of Nelson. Similar facilities and work programs may be developed in other areas of the province as funding and needs dictate.

Facility: **Alouette River Regional Correctional Centre**
Maple Ridge Sentence Management Unit
P.O. Box 4000,
Maple Ridge, B.C.
V2X 7G3
Telephone: 463-8891

Region: **Fraser**

Category: **Open and special program** (men)

Capacity: **Alouette River: Resourced** 119 **Emergency** 125
Maple Ridge: Resourced 34 **Other Beds** 4 Segregation



Alouette River

Description

The primary program of this centre is directed towards men whose drinking has reached the stage where they desire total abstinence. The preferred duration of this program is 90-100 days.

Factors considered when classifying to the primary program include age (few offenders under the age of 25 can identify with the older age group; their needs require a different approach); ability to participate in counselling and discussion groups and willingness to be involved in the Alcoholics Anonymous program; no other serious drug dependencies (except barbituates). It has been found beneficial for men undergoing the primary program to move directly to the community after completion of the program by way of sentence termination, parole, or temporary absence. Classification to that program, consequently, needs to reflect consideration of the sentence length, together with the likelihood of early community re-entry. Men with longer sentences are sometimes reclassified for the primary program later in sentence in order that residents may return to the community with sponsorship and follow up support.

The short secondary program offered includes impaired drivers and alcohol awareness courses. Every resident is required to undertake these short courses together with an assessment to determine the value of continuing with the primary program.

WORK activities 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. involve both maintenance and training functions.

Fish Hatchery: 15-13 inmates involved in stripping, hatching, rearing, and releasing salmon for federal fisheries and trout for provincial fisheries. Farm Operations: seven inmates dispersed for farm duties. Kitchen: 12 inmates under supervision of Beaver Foods training program. District Maintenance Shop: three inmates. Carpentry and Light Industries: seven inmates for construction of furniture and community projects. Provincial park crew of 12 carefully screened inmates do park maintenance and report at Golden Ears Park. Twenty inmates for grounds maintenance and cleaner operations; projects for schools, church, municipality as available. The pay scale is $2 per day for first three weeks, then specialized projects up to a maximum of $5 per day.

EDUCATIONAL programs include two days per week intake for impaired drivers' courses and an eight-day alcoholic awareness course leading to an Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) step-program, evening AA sessions, and two groups each evening, five days per week, to outside AA meetings.

RECREATIONAL activities include use of gymnasium. Hours are flexible for kitchen workers; sentenced residents are scheduled from 5-9 p.m., Monday to Friday. Individual activities include arts and crafts, universal gym, Bible study, and t.v. Group activities include badminton, volleyball, basketball, floor hockey, and softball. All activities have community involvement with churches, clubs, and associations.

VISITS are held on Saturday and Sunday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. A maximum of four persons from an approved list may visit at one time. Phone calls are permitted for emergencies to lawyers and families. Long-distance calls must be collect.

MEDICAL service is provided by a doctor who visists three times weekly or on call. Cases requiring inpatient care are moved to Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre hospital.

RELIGIOUS service is provided by a chaplain who, apart from his usual responsibilities, meets with a Christian fellowship group and conducts an ongoing program dealing with goal-setting and self-image.

COMMUNITY support, apart from five Alcoholics Anonymous meetings each week, is provided by Native Court Workers, M2 sponsors, John Howard Society, Salvation Army, church groups, Canada Manpower, and community leadership for the Native Fellowship Group.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY programs involve placement of approved persons to community centres throughout the province. The centre has a dormitory for pre-release procedure for those 15 days remaining until discharge.

Maple Ridge

Description

The primary purpose of this centre is the reception and dispersal of all sentenced offenders from the courts and institutions to the correctional centres, camps, and community correctional centres in the Lower Mainland. The unit receives and transfers 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The services provided by the Sentenced Management Unit are as follows:

IBM 8140 Computer System
The unit is the host computer facility to all offices and institutions within the region and provides all active case records at the institution, as well as interaction with the Provincial Case File in Victoria, maintaining a summary of all criminal records for persons having been incarcerated in a B.C. correctional facility.

Temporary Absence and Parole Co-ordinators
The temporary absence and parole applications for Alouette River Correctional Centre, Boulder Bay Camp, Pine Ridge Camp, and Stave Lake Camp are completely processed through this centre.

Inmate Trust Accounts
Trust accounts for Alouette River Correctional Centre and the Haney Forest Camps are administered by the unit.

Inmate Records
All legal documents are retained by the records section. The records office operates from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Regional Classification
All classification and reclassification for Alouette River Correctional Centre, the Haney Forest Camps, and Twin Maples Correctional Centre are handled by classification officers at this unit. They are also responsible for case management follow-up and review of all inmates in the above centres.

Regional Control
All information coming into this area from 4 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. Monday to Friday and for 24 hours per day on weekends and holidays is dispersed from this control centre.

The control centre is also responsible for maintaining and updating all unit counts in the area.

Reception Area
All inmates moving in the Alouette River Correctional Centre and the Haney Forest Camps are processed through this centre.

The reception centre also provides custody and security for all problem inmates who are waiting for classification, reclassification, disciplinary panels, transfers to more secure institutions, those considered potential suicide risks, and those who have attempted escape or have escaped and been apprehended by staff.

The reception centre also documents all new intake and transfers from courts and other correctional institutions in the province.

Facility: **Boulder Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 1000
Maple, Ridge, B.C.
V2X 7G4
Telephone: 467-5104

Region: **Fraser**

Category: **Open and Special Program** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 55 **Emergency** 61

Description

This is a three-month program, the final month based upon the Outward Bound concept aimed at developing self-confidence and awareness.

Criteria include: sentence of six to 15 months (although a minimum of nine months is preferred to enable supervised community re-entry after graduation); age 23 or less; first jail sentence; and need to develop self-confidence, initiative, and reliability.

WORK/EDUCATIONAL/ RECREATIONAL activities in this camp are combined to serve the basic functions of the program. Course build-up takes place with a group of up to 12 trainees starting the course during the first week of each month. Every member is considered for promotion to the next stage at the end of each month, the alternative being back-staging (repeating a stage with succeeding group), referral or reclassification in both of these alternatives only being put into effect as last resource.

Two months of hard work and recreation and the teaching of skills such as water safety and first aid are followed by the final and most demanding month, which includes rock climbing, rappelling, canoeing, and wilderness survival.

Work-day begins at 6:30 a.m. with swimming during summer and winter months, and ends at 10 p.m. six days per week. Sunday swims start at 9 a.m., followed by 20-mile hikes.

In order to utilize all available beds, men who are not considered a threat to the younger trainees are classified to the camp as workers and are engaged in camp maintenance and kitchen work, as well as wood cutting, forestry, and fisheries-related projects.

VISITS are arranged on a monthly basis for trainees in programs and twice monthly for maintenance workers. These are held at Yennadan Hall and Sentence Management Unit respectively.

MEDICAL and dental services are provided at Alouette River Correctional Centre twice weekly.

RELIGIOUS services are conducted weekly by a visiting chaplain, who also offers counselling and attends graduation functions each month.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT is provided by the John Howard Society, whose representatives visit camp on a regular basis.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is intended for those selected for this course upon successful completion of the program and takes place upon graduation via B.C. parole or temporary absence for work or educational release.

Facility: **Chilliwack River Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 365
Chilliwack, B.C.
V2P 6J4
Telephone: 858-3393

Region: **Fraser** (administered by Chilliwack Forest Camps)

Category: **Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 40 **Emergency** 40

Description

The facility and its companion units, Mt. Thurston Camp and Ford Mountain Camp, are located on the Chilliwack River along Chilliwack Lake Road.

The facility is a security building but operated as an open unit and functions as a reception, holding, and classification unit for other Chilliwack camps. Inmates serving intermittent sentences are also housed here during the weekends.

All new intakes are placed in this unit and graduate on a seniority basis as beds are available in the camps. The average stay at this facility is three weeks.

WORK programs include two major work gangs: one gang works in the community doing work for parks and community service clubs; the second gang works in camp doing forestry work, which includes pallet making, stake and shake splitting, building outhouses for the B.C. Forest Service, landscaping, and general maintenance work. Other programs include unit cleaners, laundry and tool room workers, and maintenance mechanic. Pay scales are $2-3 per day.

EDUCATIONAL courses are available through correspondence. A legal law library also is available.

RECREATIONAL facilities include a small gymnasium for volleyball and basketball, weights, horseshoe pitch, and yard for softball (catch). Sports competitions are arranged regularly with the other units and community teams. A t.v., games room, and library are also available during leisure hours.

VISITING takes place at the unit on Sundays between noon and 3 p.m. Initial telephone calls and emergency calls are permitted. Long distance calls must be made collect.

MEDICAL services are provided twice weekly by a community doctor. Dental services are provided weekly by community dentists. A registered nurse is on staff. Emergency services are provided by correctional staff with industrial first aid qualifications. A fully-equipped ambulance is part of the Chilliwack forest camp's motor pool. A psychologist is available through referral.

RELIGIOUS services are held weekly at the Mt. Thurston Camp chapel by the camp chaplain and community volunteers. A fellowship meeting is held after the service each week with the volunteers. These volunteers also attend through the week for sports, Bible study, and other fellowship activities.

COMMUNITY support is provided Saturdays at Mt. Thurston Camp for the intermittent inmates who participate in the Alcohol Awareness Program.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is assisted by a classification officer, who is assigned to the unit to review cases daily. The program coordinator is available to assist the inmates and their assigned case managers in areas of temporary absence, B.C. parole, and release planning.

Facility: **New Haven Correctional Centre**
4250 Marine Drive
Burnaby, B.C.
V5J 3E9
Telephone: 433-1291

Region: **Fraser**

Category: **Special** (Borstal program, men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 46 **Emergency** 48

Description

The program is based upon Borstal concepts and comprises a minimum of four one-month stages leading to community re-entry. Objectives are the development of good work and social habits, and personal responsibility.

Normal criteria for placement on this program include:
1) sufficient sentences — nine months minimum is preferred;
2) maximum age 22 — but those over 19 who are noticeably immature;
3) first jail sentence as adult;
4) social immaturity and a readiness to accept adult example and direction; and
5) in many cases, the lack of release resources and an adult male role-model.

WORK activities (8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) stress work habits rather than vocational training, and are developed in the wookwork and metalwork shops, in cooking, kitchen, and maintenance jobs, and in the small farm operation.

Engine and body work and painting are performed on vehicles in the metalwork shop. Wooden pallets and projects for community agencies are constructed in the woodwork shop.

EDUCATIONAL upgrading through grades one to 12 is offered, and attendance is compulsory three evenings per week. Each inmate is pre-tested prior to placement in the educational program to assess level of performance. Remedial education is also offered. Inmates are tutored by a qualified teacher on contract. A life skills program is compulsory and offered at the third stage of the New Haven program.

RECREATIONAL facilities include a gymnasium, playing field, and track. Compulsory activities are scheduled two evenings per week (with medical clearance), with optional activity three evenings per week. Individual recreation activities include weightlifting, track, and crafts. Group activities include softball, floor hockey, basketball, soccer, and badminton. Softball, floor hockey, and soccer involve teams that compete with outside community teams. The soccer team is entered in the local community league.

VISITS are held on Sundays at the centre and in an open setting (gymnasium). A maximum of six persons from an approved list may visit at one time. Phone calls are permitted for emergencies to lawyers and family. Long-distance calls must be collect.

MEDICAL visits are held once a week by a doctor, and psychological services are also provided once a week by a contracted psychologist. Daily medical runs are made to Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre hospital if required.

RELIGIOUS services — Protestant and Catholic — are held weekly. Every Wednesday afternoon a Protestant chaplain attends for group or individual guidance.

COMMUNITY groups providing support include the B.C. Borstal Association, Allied Indian Metis Society, Toastmasters Club, Vancouver Whitecaps, Alcohol and Drug Counselling. A compulsory drug and alcohol awareness program is given at stage two of the program, and Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held weekly. Whist Drive, a social card club, is held one evening per month with community volunteers.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY comes in the fourth stage (final month), which includes, where possible, temporary absence for job search, employment, or school. Final release can be to the home community or to the Borstal Association half-way house in Vancouver (Dick Bell Irving Home).

Facility: **Nanaimo Correctional Centre & Community Correctional Centre**
Bag 4000
Nanaimo, B.C.
V9R 5N3
Telephone: 758-7353

Region: **Vancouver Island**

Category: **Open**

Capacity: **Resourced** 115 **Emergency** 115

Description

As the open facility for Vancouver Island, the centre holds all Vancouver Island sentenced adult males who do not require secure facilities. Initial placement is made, where possible, directly from Vancouver Island courts by classification officer-decision, based upon information received from probation officers and computer data base.

WORK programs include community service work, salmonid enhancement projects, park maintenance, and forest service projects, as well as work on the centre's fruit and vegetable farm, kitchen, and maintenance of the buildings and grounds. Pa, rates are $2-4 per day.

EDUCATION is provided by a teacher from Malaspina College, under contract, who visits the centre six hours per week and has established an educational upgrading program covering grades one to 12.

RECREATIONAL facilities for both indoor and outdoor recreation is available, along with a fully-equipped woodwork shop.

VISITS take place in a separate building on centre grounds in two-hour sessions, Saturday and Sunday mornings and afternoons.

PSYCHOLOGICAL services are available as required.

DENTAL services are provided in a fully-equipped dental office at the centre, which is used by a dentist under contract for three hours, once a week.

MEDICAL services are provided by a nurse, who is on duty seven days a week, and a doctor, under contract, who visits the centre twice a week for a total of seven hours.

RELIGIOUS services are provided by a part-time chaplain on staff.

COMMUNITY groups visiting the centre once per week include Alcoholics Anonymous and the John Howard Society. An alcohol and drug awareness program is available and is conducted by a local group under contract to the centre .

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is provided to all suitable candidates from the Nanaimo Community Correctional Centre. Inmates go into the community for employment, education, socialization, or to perform community service work.

This centre accommodates 25 inmates. It operates on the concept of a full day's work, five days per week, under conditions as similar as possible to private industry. Education, alcohol and drug programs, and others are all scheduled for the evening hours.

Facility: **Stave Lake Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 1000
Maple, Ridge, B.C.
V2X 7G4
Telephone: 462-7233

Region: **Fraser**

Category: **Special, Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 55 **Emergency** 65
Other Beds 2 Special Holding Area

Description

This facility is limited to men serving their first jail sentence and to those not identifying strongly with the criminal subculture.

WORK programs (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) are basically directed toward clearing stumps and debris from the Stave Lake basin and its periphery for eventual use as a recreational area. The work includes stump removal, yarding, debris clearing and burning, shake splitting, training (by qualified personnel) in the operation of spar trees, cat and loader operation, and small hand tool and chainsaw operation. Safety is emphasized in all areas of the work program. A fire suppression crew is on standby, trained by B.C. Forest Service personnel. In addition, work groups carry out maintenance and small construction projects in the community for local churches, schools, parks, municipalities, and other government ministries. Camp maintenance activities include kitchen work, janitorial duties, hut cleaning, and laundry tool room operation. Pay ranges from $2-5 per day.

Special Projects

Fisheries (federal/provincial) hatching and rearing program — ongoing project.

Fish and Wildlife dyked area constructed and maintained as a sanctuary for waterfowl — ongoing project.

EDUCATIONAL assistance is provided by tutors from the community for inmates taking correspondence courses and those requiring basic learning instruction.

RECREATIONAL facilities include a recreation building and an all-weather/all-purpose field for outdoor sports, complete with a perimeter running track. There is also a hard-surfaced area for volleyball and badminton. There is no gymnasium. Gymnasium at Alouette River Correctional Centre is utilized for indoor games as required. Community participation in team sports is encouraged. An equipped arts and crafts building is available and is primarily used for woodcrafting burl clocks, tables, etc. from materials salvaged off the beach.

VISITS are held each Sunday at Ruskin Hall (opposite Ruskin Elementary School) on 96th Avenue, Ruskin, B.C. A maximum of three adults, from an approved list, may visit at one time (no restriction on the number of children). Visits must be booked beforehand.

Phone calls are permitted for emergencies, legal contacts, and family matters. All long-distance calls must be made collect.

MEDICAL, dental, and optometrist services (scheduled) are provided at the Alouette River Correctional Centre. A psychologist visits camp weekly.

RELIGIOUS services are provided bi-weekly and periodic attendance at community churches are permitted. Should the need arise, visitations from various denominations will be arranged to meet individual needs. In addition, Bible studies (contracted service) are available for interested inmates on a weekly basis.

COMMUNITY groups providing support include the John Howard Society, M2 Association, Alcoholics Anonymous, and Native Court Workers.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY can occur via the parole process or the temporary absence programs. Various community correctional centres/community re-entry centres within the province are utilized to accommodate inmates approved for gradual supervised community re-entry, primarily for work and educational releases.

On occasion, the opportunity for work release occurs directly out of camp, i.e. workers required for specific time periods by local loggers, salvage operators, and the B.C. Forest Service for reforestation projects.

Facility: **Pine Ridge Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 1000
Maple, Ridge, B.C.
V2X 7G4
Telephone: 467-5104

Region: **Fraser** (administred by Haney Forest Camps)

Category: **Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 55 **Emergency** 64

Description

This facility is normally used for men who have served not more than three previous jail sentences, none of which have been federal sentences.

WORK progams include a small sawmill operation on grounds; some logging, land-clearing, roadside slashing and clearing, and firewood cutting for the Parks Branch; shake production and saw filing courses operated and instructed by community volunteers; and inmate gangs employed not only for the Parks Branch and the Forests ministry but also in tasks for local churches, schools, and municipal parks. The general pay range is $2-4 per day, but there are incentive programs in which pay depends upon production. Work programs operate from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., six days per week.

EDUCATION/COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is provided by granting temporary absence passes to suitable inmates to attend vocational courses at the Pacific Vocational Institute, Maple Ridge campus, which is within walking distance from the camp, and to other local work projects. Inmates may also seek work releases to Marpole, Burnaby, Chilliwack, and Vancouver Island community correctional centres; Surrey Community Residential Centre; St. Leonards; Seven Steps; Southview; and others as contracts are provided. Pine Ridge Camp also serves as an educational and vocational re-entry base for other facilities, due to the ideal location adjacent to the Pacific Vocational Institute.

RECREATIONAL facilities include a gymnasium, weights, pool, and ping-pong area. Outside is a baseball and soccer field, horse-shoe pit, and a five-hole golf course. Community teams participate in most activities year round. Inmates involve themselves in an active hobby program, producing burl tables, burl clocks, chess, and pen sets. The bridge club also plays once a week.

VISITS are held in the camp on Sundays, 10 to noon and 1-3 p.m. Visits are booked directly with the camp on Wednesdays and Thursdays only. A maximum of four persons may visit at one time. Telephone privileges are permitted at 6-8 p.m. nightly. Emergency calls to lawyers or family may be made at any time. Long-distance calls must be made collect.

MEDICAL and dental services are available at the nearby Alouette River Correctional Centre. Medical attention may be sought three times per week, dental once per week.

RELIGIOUS visits are provided weekly by a chaplain, and suitable inmates are awarded passes to attend community churches with their sponsors.

COMMUNITY groups providing support include the John Howard Society, native liaison workers, Salvation Army, Canada Manpower, Ministry of Human Resources, M2, Alcohol and Drug Counselling Services, and various church groups. A community bridge club comes into Pine Ridge Camp weekly.

Facility: **Twin Maples Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 7
Maple, Ridge, B.C.
V2X 7E9
Telephone: 462-9211

Region: **Fraser**

Category: **Open and Special** (primarily for women)

Capacity: **Resourced** 43 **Emergency** 50

Description

Twin Maples provides the only non-secure Corrections Branch-operated facility for women in the province. It accommodates not only all women with provincial sentences in the province, apart from those who require the secure facilities of Lakeside Correctional Centre, but also federally-sentenced women who are allowed to serve their sentences in provincial facilities under federal-provincial agreements. Most women sentenced to periods of two years and over in B.C. are retained by the province, and a criterion of acceptance is that they are suitable for placement at Twin Maples.

Despite the wide range of women accepted into this institution, there are still insufficient numbers to fill a facility of this size, so the balance of the accommodation is filled with up to 12 sentenced men who are considered suitable for this setting.

Twin Maples has a unique program whereby a pregnant woman or a mother may be allowed to keep her child with her during her incarceration. The child must be aged two years or under, and there is a limit of three children allowed at any given time. Mothers who meet the criteria must have the approval of the local director.

WORK includes cooking, baking, serving, and cleaning in the kitchen; power machine sewing, cutting, and layouts; farm maintenance, equipment operation, planting, havesting, cattle and horse care; running an egg-laying operation with 2,500 hens; operating a licensed day-care centre; ceramic shop, greenhouse, and garden; providing general maintenance duties; and participating in community assistance projects. Pay is $2-4 per day.

EDUCATION is provided by a teacher who attends bi-weekly, and correspondence courses are available, as well as community night-school for suitable residents.

RECREATIONAL facilities are adequate.

VISITING is open on Sundays from 1-3 p.m. and Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m.

MEDICAL and psychological services are available as required.

RELIGIOUS programs are provided by a chaplain, as well as individual counselling sessions, two days per week. Escorts to community Protestant and Catholic church services are provided by either the chaplain or a W2 sponsor.

COMMUNITY support includes Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, W2 group meetings, visits by native court workers, a community access worker, and Canada Manpower, as required.

Facility: **Mount Thurston Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 365
Chilliwack, B.C.
V2P 6J4
Telephone: 858-3393

Region: **Fraser** (administered by Chilliwack Forest Camps)

Category: **Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 55 **Emergency** 60
Other Beds 6 Special Holding Area

Description

This facility and its companion units, Ford Mountain Camp and Chilliwack River Correctional Centre, are located on the Chilliwack River along Chilliwack Lake Road. These camps provide the general open facility in the Lower Mainland area for men who require neither secure custody nor specialized facilities, nor qualify for immediate placement within community correctional centres.

WORK programs include a logging-, sawmill-, and planer-operation, community service work in park development, building and equipment construction and restoration, various ongoing projects with the forest service such as tree spacing and site preparation, as well as camp kitchen work and maintenance in the motor transport and carpentry shops, stores, and in the laundry, utility, and tool rooms. Pay scales are $2-4 per day.

EDUCATIONAL programs are available at Fraser Valley College for those eligible for temporary absence.

RECREATIONAL facilities include fishing, gymnasium and weights room, and ball/soccer field. Sports competitions are arranged regularly with other units and community teams. A softball team is entered annually in a local league. A power and hand tool-equipped hobby shop, and a t.v., games, and library recreation area are available for leisure use.

VISITING takes place at the camp on Sundays between noon and 3 p.m. Telephone calls are available upon request. Long-distance calls must be made collect.

MEDICAL services are provided twice weekly by a community doctor. Dental services are provided weekly by community dentists. A registered nurse is on staff. A psychologist visits on call.

RELIGIOUS services are held weekly at the camp chapel by the camp chaplain and community volunteers. A fellowship meeting is held after the service each week with the volunteers. These volunteers also attend through the week for sports, Bible study, and fellowship activities. Arrangements can also be made for suitable inmates to attend community churches.

COMMUNITY support is provided by a weekly Alcohol Awareness Program, and Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings are arranged when there is sufficient interest. Inmate AA members may attend community meetings upon approved temporary absence. Two inmates, upon approved temporary absence, participate weekly on the nearby local volunteer fire department meetings and fire practices.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is provided by the temporary absence and parole coordinator, and an assigned case manager will develop release plans to the Chilliwack Community Correctional Centre or other Lower Mainland facility.

Facility: **Ford Mountain Camp**
P.O. Box 365
Chilliwack, B.C.
V2P 6J4
Telephone: 858-3395

Region: **Fraser** (administered by Chilliwack Forest Camps)

Category: **Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 55 **Emergency** 60
Other Beds 3 Special Holding Area

Description

This facility and its companion units, Mount Thurston Camp and Chilliwack River Correctional Centre, are located on the Chilliwack River along Chilliwack Lake Road. These camps provide the general open facility in the Lower Mainland area for men who require neither secure custody nor specialized facilities, nor qualify for immediate placement within community correctional centres.

WORK programs include power saw repair shop, laundry and kitchen work, and camp maintenance; also, various ongoing projects with the forest service such as tree spacing and site preparation, as well as community service work in park development. Pay scales are $2-4 per day.

EDUCATIONAL programs are available at Fraser Valley College for those eligible for temporary absence.

RECREATIONAL facilities include a gymnasium and weights room, and ball/soccer field. Sports competitions are arranged regularly with the other units and community teams. A softball team is entered annually in a local league. A power- and hand tool-equipped hobby shop, and a t.v., games, and library recreation area are available for leisure use.

VISITING takes place at the camp on Sundays between noon and 3 p.m. Telephone calls are available upon request. Long-distance calls must be made collect.

MEDICAL services are provided twice weekly by a community doctor. Dental services are provided weekly by community dentists. A registered nurse is on staff. A psychologist visits on call.

RELIGIOUS services are held weekly at the camp chapel by the camp chaplain and community volunteers. A fellowship meeting is held after the service each week with the volunteers. These volunteers also attend through the week for sports, Bible study, and fellowship activities. Arrangements can also be made for suitable inmates to attend community churches.

COMMUNITY support is provided by a weekly Alcohol Awareness Program, and Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings are arranged when there is sufficient interest. Inmate AA members may attend community meetings upon approved temporary absence.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY programs are provided by the temporary absence and parole coordinator, an assigned case manager will develop release plans to the Chilliwack Community Correctional Centre or other Lower Mainland facility.

Facility: **Rayleigh Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 820
Kamloops, B.C.
V2C 5M9
Telephone: 578-7244/578-7047

Region: **Interior** (administered by Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre)

Category: **Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 60 **Emergency** 60
Other beds 2 Segregation

Description

Men are received through classification from Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre (KRCC), which also acts as a back-up for inmates who present behavior problems or security risks.

WORK programs operate six days per week. Although the major work programs consist of providing beef and vegetables to KRCC and satellite facilities, a considerable amount of forestry and community work is also an important feature.

EDUCATIONAL upgrading is provided through correspondence courses upon request. College courses are available to inmates approved through the temporary absence program.

RECREATIONAL activities include leatherwork, woodworking, floor hockey, volleyball, softball, card games, pool, shuffleboard, weightlifting, badminton, and tournaments held on holidays.

VISITS are on Sundays and must be arranged in advance. Personal calls are allowed in the evenings.

MEDICAL service is provided three times per week at KRCC.

RELIGIOUS services are provided by a chaplain as required.

COMMUNITY support is provided by John Howard Society and native liaison worker. Elizabeth Fry Society services are available upon request. M2 sponsors are also available for those serving 90 or more days.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY programs include the Fitzwater Swim Program, where escorted inmates attend the local YMCA to assist handicapped children from the Fitzwater School with swimming instruction. Rayleigh Camp hosts the Interior Region Parole Board hearings. Some temporary absence programs available are:

- Kamloops Community Correctional Centre;
- Kokanee Creek Park Camp (20 beds contracted to Ministry of Lands, Parks, and Housing in Nelson);
- Crossroads, Round Lake (alcohol treatment centres);
- community Alcoholics Anonymous Association meetings;
- community church services;
- fire suppression for Forestry Branch; and
- community-based residential centres, Kelowna and Vernon.

Facility: **Bear Creek Correctional Centre**
R.R. #1, P.O. Box 1761
Clearwater, B.C.
V0E 1N0
Telephone: 674-3256

Region: **Interior** (administered by Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre)

Category: **Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 60 **Emergency** 60

Description

This camp is located in the Wells Gray Park area. Inmates are classified to Bear Creek Camp from the Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre, which also acts as back-up for inmates returned for behavior problems or security risks.

WORK/EDUCATION/COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY programs operates five days per week. The main work program is involved in the sawmill/logging activity, which is co-sponsored by the Forestry and Corrections branches. In this activity, inmates learn skills for such occupations as sawyer, edgerman, lumber piler, equipment operator, etc. In season, a fire suppression crew is on 24-hour standby and has temporary absence approval to respond to fires in the area. Seasonal projects on parks, snow removal, landscaping, community projects, and helping old-age pensioners are also carried out.

RECREATIONAL activities include use of gymnasium, weightlifting, fishing, hiking, hobbies, and crafts. Group activities are floor hockey, softball, pool, cards, and table games. A library also is available, as is a video-cassette player for movies.

VISITS are on Sundays and prior scheduling is required. Personal phone calls are allowed in the evenings.

MEDICAL services are available, as needed, in the community of Clearwater. Dental treatment is provided at Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre.

RELIGIOUS service is provided weekly be a visiting chaplain.

COMMUNITY groups conducting regular visits include the John Howard Society, native liaison worker, Alcoholics Anonymous groups, and clergy.

Facility: **Hutda Lake Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 9600
Prince George, B.C.
V2L 5J9
Telephone: 964-0504

Region: **Northern**

Category: **Open** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 55 **Emergency** 60

Description

Inmates are admitted to camp directly from courts in the Northern Region.

WORK programs involve work in the sawmill and planer mill. In those jobs, inmates learn skills for such occupations as sawyer, edgerman, tailing edgerman, tailer, trim-saw operator, lumber piler, fork-lift operator, cat operator, and sorter.

A fire suppression crew is on 24-hour standby during fire season.

Maintenance work involves kitchen operation, laundry operation, cleaning, tool room duties, and mechanical and tractor work.

An ongoing project with the Ministry of Forests incorporates log salvage, roadside clean-up, cone picking, stake cutting, and tree thinning. Seasonal projects on parks and repair and maintenance of senior citizens' homes are also carried out.

Carpentry shop is operated with eight-10 inmates, who are given instruction and training in carpentry work. Inmates are trained to build log buildings.

Top pay is $4 per day.

EDUCATIONAL services were provided by the College of New Caledonia, which had teachers coming to camp to teach inmates up to grade 12. Due to funding, it was cancelled in 1984. If funding is provided, this program will resume in 1985.

RECREATIONAL facilities include a gymnasium. Individual recreational activities include fishing, swimming, boating, hobbies, crafts, weightlifting, table games, and pool. Group activities include softball, badminton, volleyball, and floor hockey.

VISITS are on Sundays, and a maximum of three persons per visit is permitted from an approved list. Visits are in an open setting.

MEDICAL/dental services are provided in Prince George.

RELIGIOUS services are held by Catholic and Protestant chaplains once a week. Bible study groups come to camp four times a week.

COMMUNITY groups providing support are the John Howard Society and Alcoholics Anonymous, which holds meetings weekly. Inmates who require alcohol counselling/treatment can be placed on temporary absence to Nechako Treatment Centre at Prince George.

COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY is provided for deserving candidates who can be placed on temporary absence at Activators or with John Howard Society and also can be given weekend passes.

Community Correctional Centres:
Classification Criteria

Community correctional centres provide supervised accommodation for offenders within or as near as possible to their home communities. The offender may be placed there by a classification officer at the beginning of sentence, or be transferred there later in sentence. In the latter case, a temporary absence permit is usually approved before transfer. Approximately 21 per cent of all sentenced prisoners are placed in these facilities immediately at the beginning of sentence.

There are seven community correctional centres for men: Victoria; Nanaimo; Marpole; Burnaby; Chilliwack; Kamloops; and Terrace. In addition, there are two private facilities with Corrections Branch to house inmates who are on approved temporary absence. They are the Activators Society, in the Northern Region, and the Surrey Community Residential Centre, in the Fraser Region. The branch provides some staffing for both these resources.

The Corrections Branch also has contracts with a number of private agencies who provide accommodation for women. These facilities are located in the larger population centres of the province. Female offenders are transferred there after they have been granted a temporary absence pass. Offenders may be classified to a community correctional centre directly or may be cleared on a temporary absence pass from an open or secure custodial facility, subject to the following conditions:

1) they do not pose a direct threat to the community, since their offence(s) is non-violent or is isolated and does not form part of a pattern;
2) they are employed, registered at school, or actively seeking employment or schooling; and
3) they demonstrate stable living patterns, responsible financial management, and ready acceptance of authority and the limitations of the jail sentence.

Most people in these centres go out daily to a job or a training program, returning each night. Residents are encouraged to participate in volunteer work projects and sports and recreational activities in the community, accompanied by staff or volunteer escorts. Those who find regular employment in the community are charged room and board and are assisted in managing their finances to pay debts, make restitution payments for damage done, support their families, or build a savings account.

A number of the community correctional centres operate a day jail program. This program, a product of the effects of restraint, requires selected offenders to attend the centre on a daily basis (except Sunday) and work on community service work gangs. The work projects are located in the community. The gangs are supervised by correctional officers. The offender is required to live at his home and is required to remain there when not with the community service work gang. Periodic telephone surveillance occurs. A screening process occurs before offenders are placed on this program. Placement can occur at the beginning of a sentence where it is three months or less, or for the final portion of a longer sentence.

Facility: **Victoria Community Correctional Centre**
4216 Wilkinson Road
Victoria, B.C.
V8Z 5B2
Telephone: 479-1627/28

Region: **Vancouver Island** (administered by Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre)

Category: **Community-based** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 30 **Emergency** 36

Description

This centre receives men with temporary absence for work or educational release and men classified for in-house work. The latter group, apart from three kitchen and maintenance jobs, participate in local community projects.

WORK is on work-release into the community. Those who participate are required to contribute to room and board.

RECREATION is available from community resources.

PSYCHIATRIC counselling is provided by community resources, in appropriate cases.

COMMUNITY support is given by Canada Manpower and John Howard Society.

Facility: **Marpole Community Correctional Centre**
8982 Hudson Street
Vancouver, B.C.
V6P 4N4
Telephone: 463-4148

Region: **Vancouver**

Category: **Community** (minimum security - men)

Capacity: **Resourced 18** **Emergency 26**

Description

The centre admits selected offenders sentenced by the provincial courts. The residence provides 10 single rooms, six double rooms, four washrooms, two recreation lounges, a wood working shop, a dining room, and a fully-equipped kitchen. A complement of offices and facilities are provided for staff. Residents who qualify for temporary absence may be granted passes to take part in the following activities in the community:

— employment;
— education and training;
— medical treatment;
— maintaining of family/social ties; and
— involvement in community service programs.

Residents not on authorized temporary absence-status participate in in-house work programs for which they may be paid. All residents are expected to participate in community service work as and when necessary.

WORK programs include:
1) various types of legitimate employment available in the community; and
2) specified in-house jobs that are identified by staff as being meaningful and necessary for proper operation of the centre. Full-time in-house work qualifies the resident for pay on a scale of $2 to $4 per day.

Earnings from work programs are accounted for and administered by the centre's staff in paying room and board (maximum $10 per day), as well as meeting the offenders personal needs, court ordered disbursements, payments of debts, and needs of his family, where indicated.

EDUCATION and training programs vary and are available through community-based facilities and institutions. These include high school and college upgrading; university, vocational, or technical school, as well as other types of programs available in Greater Vancouver.

RECREATIONAL activities, indoor and outdoor, are similar to any that may be conducted in the inmate's home. Residents who qualify are encouraged to apply for temporary absence passes to take part in approved recreational activities available in the community.

VISITS are on Sundays and holidays. A maximum of three visitors per resident are permitted from 1-3 p.m. Social passes to visit relatives and friends in the community are available to those who qualify.

Phone calls are permitted from public phones.

MEDICAL emergencies are treated at Vancouver or Richmond General Hospitals. All other needs are referred to a doctor in the community.

COMMUNITY service work is provided by various agencies, including Marpole Senior's Oakridge Area Council Society; Ministry of Forests, Marine Maintenance Depot; and B.C. Buildings Corporation, Vancouver properties.

Various services are also provided to local handicapped and senior citizens on an individual basis, where appropriate.

Facility: **Burnaby Community Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 80780
5700 Royal Oak
Burnaby, B.C.
V5H 3Y1
Telephone: 435-0536/438-7447

Region: **Vancouver**

Category: **Community-based** (men)

Capacity: **Normal** 20 **Emergency** 20

Description

This centre accepts men with short sentences (or short remainder of sentences) for in-house programs, and also men who have been granted or are being processed for temporary absence to work, seek employment, or for educational release. Residents on educational release receive up to $4 per day, while those on work release receive up to $10 per day towards room and board. Other earnings are accounted for and administered by centre staff in meeting offender needs, court ordered disbursements, payment of debts, or family needs, where indicated.

WORK in-house comprises not only house and grounds maintenance, but considerable community service work, for which temporary absence passes are issued, to perform a variety of tasks for the United Way, Red Cross, the Vancouver Playhouse (scenery construction and painting), the Legion, and food bank.

In addition, the centre operates on day-jail gang with up to 12 men. This gang works on a variety of community services, including work at the bird sanctuary, renovation of senior citizens houses, churches, parks, and horsetrails.

EDUCATIONAL programs for residents who have educational temporary absence passes are provided on a daily basis at B.C. Institute of Technology, Pacific Vocational Institute, and Douglas College. Special education programs are also available for native Indians.

RECREATIONAL programs include table tennis, darts, t.v., cards, board games, and a library. These programs are available to the residents after supper at the completion of clean-up and on weekends.

VISITING is from 1-3 p.m. on Sundays, two visitors per resident. Special visits may be granted in unusual circumstances. A pay phone is available for outside calls.

MEDICAL problems of non-emergency nature are treated at the local medical centre. More serious problems are treated as necessary through medical transfer or medical temporary absences.

RELIGIOUS services for some residents are available through temporary absence passes. The John Howard Society visits on a weekly basis and when requested.

Facility: **Chilliwack Community Correctional Centre**
46029 Victoria Avenue East
Chilliwack, B.C.
V2P 2T9
Telephone: 792-6084 or 792-9855

Region: **Fraser**

Category: **Community-based** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 20 **Emergency** 21

Description

The centre provides accommodation and supervision for in-house programs, approved temporary absence, and temporary absence processing.

WORK in-house includes maintenance, janitorial, and kitchen work. Extensive community service is a part of the in-house program, and a minimum of 10 hours per week of participation is mandatory for all who are not employed in the private sector on a full-time basis. The daily pay is $2-4, depending on the job. Inmates are encouarged to seek employment through Canada Manpower or other private means and, once employed, pay room and board at the rate of 15 per cent of earnings of $10 per day.

EDUCATIONAL upgrading is provided through courses at Fraser Valley College, including learning to read and write at university level. A wide range of vocational and leisure-interest programs are also offered. Residents are encouraged to apply to any of these.

RECREATIONAL activities are voluntary and provided by community resources. They vary and are available to the residents as they would be for the rest of the community. A pool table, television (including pay-t.v.), and various table games are available at the centre.

VISITING is permitted each evening at the centre on an informal basis, and a pay telephone is available for inmate use. Further visits are permitted during the afternoons on weekends and holidays. Special visits are arranged as required.

MEDICAL, dental, and psychological needs are provided from within the community. The services of the Corrections Branch doctor, dentist, and nurse are also available.

RELIGIOUS activities, services, and bible studies of all denominations are available within the community, as well as the services of the branch chaplain.

COMMUNITY support is available from the John Howard Society, native liaison workers, Canada Manpower, Legal Aid, local health unit, Ministry of Human Resources, Salvation Army, and local Alcoholics Anonymous clubs. The Alcohol and Drug Counselling Service conducts an alcohol awareness course comprised of 10 hours each of educational material and of counselling. Attendance on this course is mandatory for all with a history of alcohol abuse. The Alcohol and Drug Counselling Service also provides individual counselling requirements.

Facility: **Kamloops Community Correctional Centre**
1605 East Trans-Canada Highway
Kamloops, B.C.
V2C 3Z5
Telephone: 374-3651

Region: **Interior**

Category: **Community-based** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 25 **Emergency** 25

Description

The centre houses inmates approved for temporary absence, or are being processed for temporary-absence approval, and classified sentenced inmates not considered for temporary absence but suitable for a lesser level of custody.

WORK programs in-house are not provided. The unit program and staffing is designed for re-entry into the community and, therefore, relies on community resources for programs.

EDUCATIONAL up-grading and limited vocational training is provided at Cariboo College.

RECREATIONAL programs are limited and also rely on community resources (YMCA clubs and organizations).

VISITS are permitted on Sundays and statutory holidays from 1-4 p.m. Unlimited use of a pay telephone is provided, at inmate expense.

MEDICAL services are provided by staff doctor, Royal Inland Hospital, or personal physician if inmate has B.C. medical coverage. Dental services are also provided at the centre or by private practitioners.

RELIGIOUS services are provided by visiting Corrections Branch chaplain or at community churches.

COMMUNITY support is provided by referral from the John Howard Society, Canada Manpower, Family Life Association, Alcohol Drug Centre (Phoenix Centre), and native court workers.

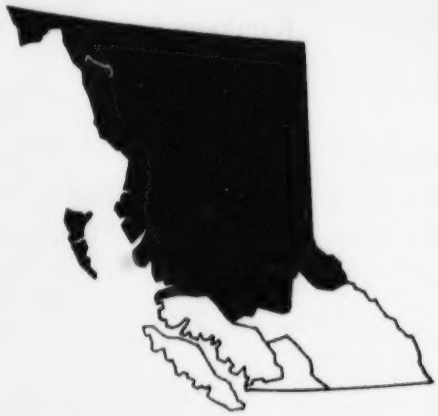
In-region programs available to inmates on temporary absence from the centre include:
— three beds at Round Lake Treatment Centre, Vernon, for alcohol treatment (native offenders only);
— four beds at Crossroads Treatment Centre, Kelowna, for alcohol treatment;
— two beds at Harvey House (John Howard Society), Kelowna, men's residential centre;
— five beds at Howard House (John Howard Society), Vernon, men's residential centre;
— three beds at Kiwanis House, Kamloops, alcohol and drug program support house;
— day jail, Kamloops and Kelowna (two 12-man crews working on community enhancement programs, returning to the inmates' individual residences nightly); and
— Kokanee Creek Park Camp (located on Kootenay Lake) for up to 20 inmates — a joint-venture with Ministry of Lands, Parks, and Housing (parks upgrading).

Facility: **Terrace Community Correctional Centre**
P.O. Box 370
Terrace, B.C.
V8G 1L8
Telephone: 638-3806

Region: **Northern**

Category: **Community-based** (men)

Capacity: **Resourced** 30 **Emergency** 30



Description

This centre accepts inmates for in-house programs, temporary absence, and temporary absence processing. Case management responsibilities are not assigned. Inmates discuss their problems with staff members with whom the inmates feel comfortable.

WORK activities are unique. Duties related to the upkeep of the centre are kept at a bare minimum and are generally shared, apart from two maintenance and clean-up assignments. Much of the work program is contracted, carried out with union support and in cooperation with the District of Terrace and various employers. Projects include slashing, and cutting truck-deck stakes and firewood, which are re-sold after purchase from the Ministry of Forests. Inmates are paid on a piece-work basis, with scales marked out by a coordinating society. In addition, numerous employers hire inmates for jobs of varying lengths of time. Pay on the in-house program is $2 per day; if attending education classes, $3.50 per day. Those on community work pay a maximum of $10 per day board and lodging, the amount scaled to earnings.

EDUCATIONAL upgrading is arranged with North West Community College.

RECREATION is informal. It includes pool, table games, various yard games, and passes to community sports and general interest events.

VISITS are allowed at the centre twice weekly, with special arrangements at scheduled times.

MEDICAL and dental needs are served from community resources. Psychiatric consultation also is available if required.

RELIGIOUS support is provided on a volunteer basis by Terrace Ministerial Association.

COMMUNITY support includes alcohol and drug counselling, Alcoholics Anonymous, Canada Manpower, Ministry of Human Resources, and native liaison worker.

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